Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—(a) 489.

(b)	Hindus.	Christians.	Muslims.	Jews.	Total.
	182	292	14	1	489.

Vaintala L. S. School.

2. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the total loss in running the Vaintala Government School (Lower Secondary) till now;

(b) what part of the loss are the Committee to pay according to the terms of the agreement; what have they paid or promised to pay;

(c) what is the present strength of the School and the number of classes; what will be the loss this year; how much of this will be paid by the Committee; and who form the Committee?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—The total loss up to 1103 is Rs. 3,714—0—8.

(b) According to the terms of the agreement the Committee are bound to send 20 pupils to each of the Form Classes and in default to make good the deficit on account of shortage of pupils. They have paid Rs. 300.

(c) Strength 38.

Number of classes 4. The loss for 1103 is estimated to be Rs. 902—2—6. The whole affair has been closed on a cash payment of Rs. 300 and the school has been transferred to the management of the Committee to be run as a recognised institution. The following gentlemen form the Committee :—

1. Chakkalamittah Kanichai Ittoop Thoman
2. Do Ittoop Chakkappan
3. Do Ittoop Ittiri
4. Do Ittoop Kunjuvareed
5. Do Antony Ittoop
6. Do Ouseph Ittoop
7. Do Kanichai Varkey Ouseph
8. Do Varkey Poulose
9. Do Varkey Devassy
10. Valiya Veetil Thoman Chakkappan
11. Do Antony Kunjuvareed

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Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—The total loss comés up to Rs. 4,000. May I know for how long was this school conducted?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—For more than 10 years, I think.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—When did the Government know that it was working at a loss?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—It was fluctuating; in some years it was a gain and in some years it was a loss. Government has in any case to bear a part of the expenditure.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Can the detailed figures be given?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Not now.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Are not the Committee members solvent to pay the whole loss?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—I cannot say.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Then how was this remission made and why?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Government thought that it was the best thing to be done under the circumstances.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was this remission made without enquiring whether the Committee members were solvent or not?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Government thought that it was very hard to make them pay the whole loss.

President.—That is, to exact 'the full pound of flesh'. Government thought that it would be the best course to be taken.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What was the ground for the remission?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—President has said already that Government thought it would be hard.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What is the special reason for this remission? The members are solvent.

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Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Even otherwise, in regard to the educational institutions Government has to bear part of the expenditure. There is hardly any school in the State that is self-supporting.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Why did the Government then enter into an agreement at all?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Government thought it necessary to enlist the active co-operation of the people.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was there not some other reason for doing so?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.— Government thought that it was desirable to enlist the co-operation of the people.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What is the reason for such thinking?

Teachers in the Lower Secondary Schools.

3. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total number of Matriculates and School Finals teaching in the Lower Secondary Department of all the Government Schools in the State;

(b) the total number of such teachers in all the Aided Schools of the State;

(c) are there any non-graduate teachers teaching in Form III of any Sirkar School at present; if so, how many;

(d) the number of graduates teaching in Form III of all the Aided Schools of the State?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—(a) 61.

(b) 104.

(c) Yes; 19.

(d) 26.

Treatment for Hydrophobia in the General Hospital.

4. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state the total number of patients who were treated in the Government Hospital for Hydrophobia during 1103;

(b) the number of successful cases and the number that proved fatal?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(a) No cases were treated for Hydrophobia.

(b) 268 persons, bitten by suspected rabid dogs were given antirabic inoculation, of whom three are reported to have died of Hydrophobia.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—The answer given is 'No cases were treated for Hydrophobia. 268 persons, bitten

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